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Mr. Arunachalam Chettiar, late Salt Contractor.

11. Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether orders were passed on the petitions of Mr. Arunachalam Chettiar, the late salt contractor of the State, submitted to the Government on (1) 1st Dhanu 1100, (2) 10th Medam 1100, (3) 29th Karkadagam 1100 and (4) 5th Makaram 1101 referred to in the answer to question No. 134 of the Legislative Session of 1103; if so, what are the orders; if not, what is the cause of this long delay?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—Orders have not been passed on the petitions referred to. The matter is under consideration and Government do not find any urgency about it.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—May I know if there is any special difficulty in this matter to pass orders? I find this petition has been pending for the last 3 or 4 years.

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—The answer is given there.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—I ask whether there is any special difficulty to pass orders. Is it due to the fact that the Government do not find any urgency about it?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—It is under consideration, and it is stated in the answer that Government do not find any urgency about it.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Government may not think it urgent. But the party may think it urgent.

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—May be.

Government deposits in the several banks.

12. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to furnish information on the following points:—

(a) the amount that lies invested in each of the several banks as fixed deposits and in current account by the Government;

(b) rate of interest secured in each bank;

(c) the total amount so invested;

(d) amounts lent to private bodies, names of borrowers, rates of interests charged in each case by Government?

Mr. K. Krishna Pisharodi.—(a), (b) and (c). A statement containing the information as it stood on the last day of Karkadagam 1103 is appended. (*Vide Appendix III.*)

(d) Government have not lent any amount to private bodies, but only to such public bodies as Government of India, Government of Mysore, Joint Stock Cos., Municipalities, etc.

Pay of the acting Diwan.

13. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—